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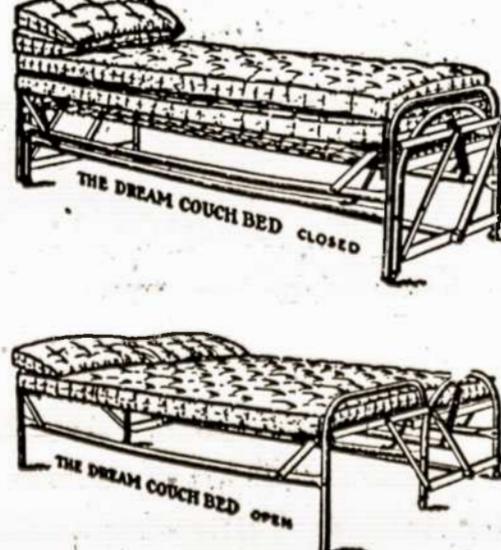
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LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Last Monday was Field day with the delegates to the Young Women's conference and it was pronounced a great success by the hundreds who witnessed the sports. For the past few years men have been debarred from the audience at these events, but to-day the ban was taken off and campers from Camp Northfield and guests from the hotel cheered their friends lustily. All the girls were dressed in white, the runners wearing sailor suits. After the sports, the girls celebrated with a dance around the field, and cheered for each girl as she received her prize ribbon. As a surprise, the committee served refreshments to the contestants and all the visitors.

Miss Alice Walton of the McMasters school at Dobbs Ferry ran the events off in a much more efficient manner than the college men's sports were managed 10 days ago. The audience voted this even a better field day than that was. East hall, containing delegates from Springfield, Smith college and New York, won, with Weston hall, where the Rochester delegates stayed, a close second with only two points less. The results:

Obstacle race—Won by Miss Stebbins; Miss Wilson, 2d.

Suit case race—Won by Miss Barker; Miss Seymour, 2d.

Chicken race—Won by Miss Barnum; Miss Holt, 2d.

Three-legged race—Won by Miss Baker and Miss Boyd, Miss Cain and Miss Zimer, 2d.

Egg race—Won by Miss Fisher; Miss Boyd, 2d.

Sack race—Won by Miss Brown; Miss Mullins, 2d.

Relay race—Won by Misses Wilson, Browning, King and Hickman.

Visitors to Northfield find that it is the habitat of a large variety of birds and so a fine place in which to pursue the newly stimulated study of our delightful feathered companions. Mrs. James H. Slade, a former resident, and better known as Masie Hastings, while here a few days ago with her friend and relative, Mrs. Pfaffmann of Quincy, enjoyed herself greatly in noting the many birds and their ways. She counted some 42 different kinds, and was especially pleased with the number of bobolinks.

Before the next issue of the Northfield Press the Fete Al Fresco, or lawn party of the First Parish will have taken place. This is an annual event and one of the most noted affairs of the season. It will be celebrated on the grounds of Perham's Inn where its illuminations have attracted large crowds for the last two or three years. There will be music by the Northfield band, an exhibition drill by the Boys' Brigade, perhaps a Punch and Judy show, joy rides in autos, a sumptuous supper, ice cream and cake, and other attractions "too numerous to mention." Thursday the 29th inst. is the date set apart for this affair, and full moonlight has been spoken for.

Will O'Clair was in Greenfield a few days last week visiting his brother.

Alfred Kitchen was recently called to Maine on account of the death of his mother.

W. J. Wright and his brother are afflicted with whooping cough.

Mrs. A. W. Proctor who has been on the sick list is recovering.

An interesting discovery was recently made in the vicinity of our town hall which is of considerable historical value since it indicates the spirit of progressiveness on the part of those who in days gone by sat in authority.

The relics unearthed consist of various sign boards painted in the year 1908 and prepared for posts that are still standing along the highways. The guide boards are in a good state of preservation and it is declared by some that even now they might be used to good advantage.

Miss Marjorie Rollins of New York city is the guest of Mrs. George N. Kidder.

Miss Miriam and Miss Helen Caldwell have gone to Springfield, Mass., to visit for a week in the home of their cousin, Porter Caldwell.

Mr. Edgar Weeks and family of Marlboro, Mass., and Mr. Ralph Wells and wife of Hartford, Conn., are camping during July and August in the pines above F. W. Doane's.

The assessors have completed the list of properties in Northfield and have found that the amount to be raised, the present year will require a tax rate of \$16 per \$1000.

Theodore Lyman and his sister, Florence, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Lyman.

Miss Dorothy and Miss Donna Doane of Northampton are visiting the family of their uncle, F. W. Doane.

Born, at Weston, Mass., Tuesday, June 20, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Blake.

We have an interesting letter from Nathaniel P. Dickinson of Shelton, Nebraska who is a native of Northfield and who was here with his wife about two years ago. Mr. Dickinson at that time went the whole length of the Mohawk river, and around the north end of Lake Champlain and through Vermont, "but," he writes, "I never saw finer scenery than when standing on the old John Brown farm in West Northfield and looking across the valley."

Mr. Dickinson expects to go to Salt Lake City next month.

The sixth session of the summer school for Women's Foreign Missionary societies began Thursday evening in the auditorium and will continue until Thursday noon July 29. Among the speakers for the conferences are Dr. and Mrs. Francis E. Clark, Mrs. W. A. Montgomery, Mrs. George B. Germond, Miss Margaret E. Hodge and Miss May Leavis.

Mr. R. W. Woodbury is building a garage for his new Maxwell.

An atrocious outrage was committed against one of our best citizens last Monday night in East Northfield. While spending the evening with friends as he had a perfect right to do, since his wife was with him, some miserable miscreant deliberately stole from his automobile one large bag of doughnuts and a smaller bag of cookies. The wretch is known to the municipal detective force and his apprehension will surely be accomplished within the next 24 hours.

Mrs. J. W. Field left last Wednesday for Weston, Mass., the attraction being the new grandson whose arrival is noted above.

By an oversight which we regret the Masonic lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star were omitted from our lodge directory last week. It was not a matter of "copy" but occurred in the makeup of the paper.

Among the guests at Perham's Inn for the season are; Mrs. Emily I. Wilkinson, Miss Julia C. Brown, Miss Lida G. Fisk, C. J. Butler, and son, of Springfield, Mrs. G. W. Dean and Miss Lillian Dean, of Boston.

A party of 10 of Landlord Perham's friends came over in autos from Athol to take breakfast with him last Sunday.

The summer school for Sunday school workers is also in session and its conferences will also close next Thursday. This school meets for the purpose of discussing the problems that confront

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Northfield, Mass., July 20, 1909.
Editor Press:

In your first issue was a communication from W. regarding the location of the proposed new high school building to be erected on the Field lot. While W.'s ideas about sunlight may be very good he seems to be a long way off in the location he proposes. A building on the spot suggested would be so far from the street as to be invisible except perhaps the roof and the beautiful outlook in the foreground from its front porch chiefly the back of Mr. Quisenberry's barns and the back of the Meadow street residences. The builder of the Field house, or as it was originally known the Dutton place, was a long headed individual and set a frame work of fine trees about his mansion, foreseeing with his prophetic soul, that in course of time the house would be burnt and the ground purchased by the town for a high school. The canvas is already prepared and framed and a handsome school building facing the street set in the middle of that frame would add greatly to the beauty of the street and be a joy to all coming generations. The old Field house was an ornament and now let us put our new high school in its place and restore the beauty of that part of our main thoroughfare.—N. B.

May every soul that touches mine,
Be it the slightest contact, get therefrom
Some good—some little grace;
One kindly thought,
One aspiration yet unfelt,
One bit of courage for the darkening sky,
One gleam of faith to brave the thickening
ills of life,
One glimpse of brighter skies beyond
The gathering mists,
To make this life worth while, and
Heaven
A surer heritage.
—Motto, verse for Young Women's Conference at Northfield, 1909.

The library invites the attention of the public to the fine biographies which have been lately acquired. No better reading can be found than in books of this character, and those who delight in them soon develop a preference for them above most of the novels of the day. The life of "Alice Freeman Palmer" by her husband, the Harvard professor, is a book which has attracted a good deal of attention. "My Life," by Josiah Flynt is the delineation of a most unusual character. He is brother to Frances Willard, the noted temperance advocate. He early developed the wander-spirit and was led by it to take the road with tramps and to visit about every corner of the earth. For war veterans there is the autobiography of General Howard in two volumes, and for lovers of art the "Memorials of Edward Burne Jones" by Mrs. Jones. This latter book is quite large, but a gentleman avows that he read it through twice with delight, and another person says "it formed an epoch in my life." The brief life of "William Morris," the artist and socialist, by the poet Alfred Noyes, is beautifully written, and in "My Story," by Hall Caine, the novelist, will be found a lively description of the eminent men and women with whom he came in contact. Besides these the librarian will introduce readers to others equally interesting.—W.

Life of the Toad.
(A. W. Rooker in Pearson's Magazine.)

Early in the spring, when the warm sun thaws out the flint-hard ground, the toads awaken from their winter sleep in burrows and beneath rocks and scrub where, often, they have been literally frozen stiff, only to come back healthy as ever to life again. With the first balmy night they begin to migrate. From all directions they hop, making their way to the nearest

breeding pond, usually the identical place where they first saw the light of day, for the toad is, in a sense, a domestic animal, often traveling a mile or more for the sake of returning to its place of hatching.

A perfectly astounding number of eggs are laid by each toad. Mr. Kirkland once removed more than 1200 eggs from a toad which already had been laying. Dr. C. F. Hodge of the Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts, removed as many as 11,545 eggs from one specimen—a remarkable fecundity, yet not so wonderful considering that the chances of an egg developing into an adult toad are less than one in a thousand.

Within two weeks after the eggs are laid the young tadpoles begin to appear, feeding at first upon their gelatinous envelope. Next the slimy deposits common to ponds or swamps are attacked; and steadily the young "wrigglers" grow until their bodies enlarge to the size of thumb nails by the end of June or the beginning of July, at which period the long tail begins to be absorbed and the legs to develop. Then the young toads hop on the bank of their water home and disperse, never to return except during the breeding seasons.

The Newest Anaesthetic.

Mr. F. W. Malvin, United States consul at Nottingham, sends to the bureau of manufactures at Washington some particulars concerning the new anaesthetic, stovaine.

It appears that it produces paralysis of the body below

the point of injection and removes all

sensation from the limbs, so that it

has been found possible to amputate a

man's leg while the patient retained

consciousness, and could, had he been

allowed to do so, have even witnessed

the operation. The patient could feel

no pain, and after the operation and

when sensation returned experienced

nothing but the sense of bruising,

which is one of the sequels of grave

operations. The curious name of the

anaesthetic, "stovaine," is due to its

discoverer, M. Fourneau. M. Fourneau

was anxious to perpetuate his own

name in connection with it, but as the

anaesthetic was of the nature of cocaine

and no compound resembling that

could be contrived out of "Fourneau"

he translated the name into its English

equivalent of "stovo" and added the

necessary termination—Discovery.

Forty Million Dollars' Worth.

Automobiles to the value of more than \$40,000,000 have been registered in Massachusetts since the 1st of January. That beats all records for this state, and it is equaled in only two other states. The six-months' record is larger than the registration of the whole of last year. The number of new machines in the state this year is more than 19,000, and it is gaining rapidly. Some buyers of weeks ago are still waiting for their motors to be delivered. Those who have received them have paid the state fees for registration to the amount of \$127,918. One of the highway commissioners says that the registrations are coming in at the rate of 86 a day but he does not know how long that will last. He is sure that it will make the spring estimate of 20,000 for the year look small, and that the estimate at the same time that the state would take in \$100,000 for registration fees this year should have been doubled. Clerks of the highway department have been working nights to keep up with the demands for permits to run automobiles through the state over the highways. There was never a time when the people went so fast, so far and so easy, and the troubles of the practice are decreasing as men come to a better understanding of what the motor wagons are good for.

—Worcester Telegram.

Federal Extravagance.

The tariff is enacted with cynical indifference to the necessities of the people on the excuse that income must be provided to meet the government expenses, and all sorts of extravagant schemes are embarked upon to make the exactation of the tariff excusable.

No scheme involving immense national expenditure is too extravagant for politicians; the irritation of western

lands, the drainage of southern territories; the canalization of rivers upon which but little traffic floats; public buildings for little towns and villages that might suit cities; the multiplication of bureaus and employees for meddling with enterprise and industry, and hundreds of other unnecessary and useless ventures are called for; and the man who finally pays all the bills, the man with dinner pail, appears to be as dumb as he is negligible.

When will this riot of extravagance cease? There must be a time close at hand when the back of the American camel will refuse any additional load, and habits of thrift and economy appear to be hard to learn. It is about time the plain, workaday American woke up; his rulers are closing the markets of the world to him; the party in power and its industrial parasites are eating him up at home; our national resources are being wasted, and it will not be long before the richest land in the world will be destroyed by the folly and extravagance of its government and the dumbness and stupidity of its workers. Let us wake up and read the riot act to our rulers. Government as administered by the Republican party and aided and abetted by a degenerate Democratic party is as wasteful and baneful as a Fourth of July celebration; and its elements seem to be about the same—noise, folly, extravagance, horn-tooting and utter disregard for the rights comfort and wishes of the nation.

Boston Traveler.

A simple way to detect the adulteration of ice cream with starch, which may be of use with the ice cream season now upon us, is to dissolve a little of the ice cream in water and then add a few drops of tincture of iodine. The solution will at once turn blue if there is starch in the cream.

A newspaper in speaking of a deceased citizen, said: "We knew him as old Ten Per Cent—the more he had the less he spent—the more he got the less he lent—he's dead—we don't know where he went—but if his soul to heaven is sent—he'll own the harps and charge 'em rent."—Tit-Bits.

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2.26	3.05
5.17	3.25
10.04	4.48
	8.45

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who have inspected the plant are unanimous
in their commendation of what is being done there, of the orderly and systematic appearance of the hospital and its surroundings and especially of the out-of-door sleeping apartments that have been provided for the inmates. The beds and mattresses are the best money can buy, but no money was necessary for their purchase as they were contributed by local merchants.

There are still a few article needed and it is hoped that generous friends will come to the front as many have already done. Some of the needed articles of furniture follow: Four small tables or wash stands, four straight-backed chairs and six mirrors, all of which need not be new as they are to be enameled. Fresh vegetables, fruits, jellies and preserved fruits can be used and would be much appreciated. Reading matter, especially up-to-date magazines and newspapers would also be very acceptable. Mrs. F. W. Gipson of High street and Mrs. C. H. Thompson of Main street will be glad to receive any of these articles and will see that they are delivered at the camp.

Mrs. G. E. Warner will be glad to receive any contributions of money.

Gormandizing, says C. H. Cochrane in the Metropolitan, is a national American habit—one might almost say

a national sin, bringing a foretaste of purgatory as the punishment following failure to eat rationally. Ignorant eating, with reckless haste in swallowing the food, is the origin of untold ills that affect humanity.

This common, every-day matter of having due regard for the stomach comes nearer to the happiness of the people than do thousands of things over which the newspapers and legislatures are continually agitating. The crime of carelessness of the American railroads, which maims over 80,000 people every year, probably is productive of less misery than are the crimes of omission permitted regularly in our public schools through failure to teach with the three R's a fourth—rational eating.

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s at noon recess, because he wants more time for play. He may be kept in if he spells education with two ds, but he can violate all the plain rules of sensible eating with never a word of counsel or criticism from his parents or teachers. What wonder if he grows up thin to skinniness, and with a weakened stomach, sure to succumb before he is 40! Such is the true stomach of ten out of eleven American boys.

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New Hope Comes to Her.

Robert Rooster—Well, well, Henrietta, you look very happy this morning.

Sitting Henrietta—Happy? Well, I

should say I am! Last night I found a crack in the door knob I've been sitting on for the last six months, and I believe I'm going to be able to hatch it!—Chicago News

RUSTIC RIDGE NOTES

Miss M. Meekin, of Providence, is a guest at the Kinsman cottage.

Rev. M. F. Hardy and Mrs. Hardy have been spending several days with Dr. and Mrs. David I. Fuller, in Eleven-venue Bungalow. Mr. Hardy is pastor of the Congregational church of East Jaffrey, N. H. With Mrs. Hardy he drove from that place to Rustic Ridge.

Dr. D. J. Fuller returned, Wednesday, from his weeks' vacation in New Hampshire, where, as a pedestrian he set a good pace for the natives by walking 15 miles to Keene, where he took the train for South Vernon.

Mr. McMeekin, of Providence, R. I., is among the guests at Kenjockety Lodge.

Miss Anna Cliff White has returned from a trip to Washington and Philadelphia.

Miss Kineman is entertaining Miss Lutton, a missionary to Arabia, under the Dutch Reformed church. This is Miss Lutton's first furlough in 10 years and she is enjoying it thoroughly.

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NORTHFIELD FARMS

Mrs. A. P. Putnam has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Wood. Mrs. Putnam's grandson is with her.

Mrs. Frank Howe has been spending a few days in Bellows Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell, of Springfield, are the guests of Mrs. Mitchell's sister, Mrs. Frank Wood.

C. E. and R. O. Leach have returned from a trip to the White Mountains.

Mr. Titus is improving and is able to sit up a portion of the time.

Mrs. Claws has been quite ill for several days. Mrs. Thornton is caring for her and her sister is also with her.

MOUNTAIN PARK NOTES.

"Mountain Park,"—A name approved and adopted by the residents of that section of East Northfield lying beyond the Highlands.

Two magnificently antlered deer grazed under an apple tree at the edge of the Janway place Friday evening, immediately after the storm, while an admiring group of spectators watched them from the porch of Crescent Cottage.

Miss Colby, of Japan, who is occupying the "Slab Cottage" on Dr. Mabie's place was one of the "girls" who enjoyed the reunion of the class of 1868 of the Glenwood Classical seminary, of West Brattleboro. Miss Colby has spent 35 years in Japan.

Rev. David Tomkins, of Spring Valley, N. Y. will join his family in their new cottage, "Bonnie Brae", August 1.

Rev. Charles Mallory and family, of Rhinebeck, N. Y., have moved into their new cottage.

Dr. Henry Mabie, of Roeburn Cottage, has gone to Ohio to deliver a series of 10 lectures at the "Hiawatha Conference". He will return August 2.

RUSTIC RIDGE NOTES

The annual meeting of the Rustic Ridge association will be held in Brainard Bungalow at 3 p. m. on Monday, August 2.

The world for ages did not know that the brain had anything special to do, says Dr. William H. Thomson in "Everybody's", and least of all that it had everything to do with the mind. On that account the brain is never mentioned in the Bible, and the great physiologist and philosopher Aristotle, when he carefully examined the brain, concluded that its only business was to cool the blood for the heart!

Every other important organ of the body does something visible, either in its action or secretion but the quiet brain has kept its greatest secrets so well, even down to our own day, that most educated people are still ignorant of the significant discoveries that recently have revealed its particular connection with certain mental operations.

The discovery of a special speech region in the brain was truly a great find, for it furnished a key for unlocking one chamber after another of this mysterious physical organ of the mind. Even as regards the faculty of speech itself, it was soon revealed that it has three separate anatomical seats in the brain. One place is in the auditory region of the brain, where words coming to us through the ear are registered; another place is in the visual area, where words coming through the eye in reading are registered; and by means of a third place, in the motor area, we utter words by the movements of the muscles of the larynx, tongue, or lips.

Just as Well.

President Treadway of the senate tells a good story regarding a country parson whose son was sorely tried because his son did not become a member of the cloth, but instead had a decided predilection to become a horse jockey. The reverent parent told his troubles to one of his deacons.

The latter was a practical man and replied: "Well, Brother Blank, don't feel so bad. I'm sure that Jim will

bring more souls to repentance as a horse jockey than he ever would as a parson."—Boston Journal.

FARMER HI'S CURIOSITY.

"Why are all those people flocking down to Hiram Hardapple's barn?" asked the old farmer on the hay wagon.

"Hi's got a curiosity down there," chuckled the Village Constable. "The other night Hi's old Jersey cow had the colic and Hi went down to give her a dose of cow medicine. Blamed if he didn't make a mistake and give her a pint of gasoline. Now, instead of going 'Moo, moo!' like any other sensible cow, she goes 'Honk, honk' like one of them that blamed automobiles."—Chicago News.

A CASE OF ASTIGMATISM.

A grade teacher at Colby, after having a medical examination in her schoolroom recently, wrote the following note to the parents of a certain little boy: "Your boy Charles shows signs of astigmatism. Will you please investigate and take steps to correct it?"

To which she received a note in reply saying: "I don't understand exactly what Charles has been doing, but I have walloped him to-night, and you can wallop him to-morrow, and that ought to help some."—Kansas City Journal.

DOESN'T CARE FOR THE JUST MAN.

Do you know it is not a compliment to be called a just man? It carries with it an intolerant spirit, a mean disposition, and a fault finding manner. There must not be too much justness in this country. The deeds must be filtered and sugar coated. The just man is the man who demands that everybody come up to his standard. Ever think how hard a job that is? We have our own standards and it keeps us busy measuring up to them, but to have to measure up to some other man's standard is awful, simply awful.—Lawrence (Kan.) Journal.

DOES IT PAY?

The Mayoralty chair of Cambridge has come to be called "The Hoodoo Chair" by those who have followed Cambridge politics for many years. There has been no incumbent for the last ten years who has not suffered from sickness or from business reverses, either during or after his term of office. The present mayor, John F. Brooks, was no sooner nominated this spring than he had to undergo an operation, from which he is still convalescing.—Boston Journal.

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